

DRAFTER'S NOTE
FROM THE
LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU

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Rep. Bernier:

Please review this draft carefully to ensure it meets your intent. I was not able to complete all of the requested changes in this version of the draft. Some of the items are mentioned in ****NOTES in the body of the bill. Others, I'll mention here.

I was not able to make the requested change to make the county clerk responsible for the administration of elections, and the associated change in s. 59.23 (2) (n). I talked to my colleague, Jeff Kuesel, who drafts in the area of elections and he said that such a request would be a major undertaking that would take a considerable amount of time to complete. If you would like to pursue this part of your request, Jeff suggests that it be pursued as separate legislation due to its scope and complexity. Please contact Jeff directly at 266-6778 if you'd like to pursue this idea.

I did not add the provision regarding a clerk's duty to receive timber notices. I looked through ch. 77 and I could not find a statute that relates to county clerk notification of timber cutting. I did find a reference to the clerk being notified about some things related to the woodland tax law in s. 77.16, stats., but nothing about timber cutting. Consequently, it did not make sense to add the proposed s. 59.23 (2) (oa). If I missed something in ch. 77, please let me know and I'll add this provision in the next version of the bill.

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